Warren County Veterans Service Officer's Report for May 2012

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Calling all WWII Veterans~

The next **Honor Flight** is scheduled for **June 2nd**, and will depart Albany International Airport destination Washington D.C. WWII Memorial (day trip). This flight is FREE to all WWII Veterans and a guest can accompany them for \$350.00. Please contact Rick or Karen Connor at 518/827-5013 for an application.

Memorial Day~

Parade is scheduled for May 28th, in Glens Falls. It is also the 1st Anniversary of the Return the "FAVOR" Program.

Veterans and business participants in "FAVOR" (Find And Assist Veterans Of Record), the Warren County initiative to promote product and services discounts for Veterans and active military, are invited to "fall in" and march behind "FAVOR's" Thank You For Your Service banner during the Memorial Day parade.

Veterans and Business Participants will assemble at the "FAVOR" staging area on Maple St. at 9:30 AM. Veterans will be given lapel buttons identifying them as Veterans proud to have served. Coffee will be offered to all "FAVOR" marching Business Participants and Veterans, courtesy of Glens Falls National Bank. GFNB has also provided the "FAVOR" banner behind which the participants will march. Warren County's Return the "FAVOR" Program now numbers 1522 Warren County Veterans and 117 business participants.

Additionally, American Legion Post 233 will be dedicating a plaque for three local men KIA in Afghanistan. This will occur as part of the Memorial Day ceremonies at Crandall Park at the conclusion of the parade. The three men are SPC Ben Osborn, PFC Jerimiah Monroe and **PFC David Miller**.

Grave Markers~

Please call us a few days in advance with the military service era and quantity of grave markers needed by each of your organizations during this Memorial Day.

I ask that you carefully consider how many you need as these markers are very expensive and are paid for by you "the taxpayer".

Unless a marker is weathered/worn to the point that you can not distinguish what era it is from please do not replace it.

We are one of the last few counties that still purchase these markers for distribution to the community. With all the budget cuts this account has been untouched to date and I would like to see this benefit stay in effect for many more years. Thank you for your consideration.